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BABY LAUGHTER.

Clinking of bells on a fairy's feet.
Lilt of lily and tune of rose.
Something filling the land with sweet
ripples of streams where
the dewdrop goes.
Silver tinkle of webs of breeze
Struck by the fingers of sun-
shine there.
Lapping leaves of the June-time
tree.
Whispering love to the rose-
sweet air.
Songs of morning and dreams
of night.
Baby laughter is vocal light.
Honeyed music of breeze and
bird.
Through a thousand bugles of
silver heard!
—Selected.

IT IS FOR PENDLETON

THOUGH most northwest towns have stood still during the last few years Pendleton has steadily moved forward in civic and commercial ways. We have made good progress and the result is in large measure due to the energy and breadth of vision shown by local people.

The future outlook is good. Pendleton is to derive much benefit from the new freight terminal and the degree of benefit obtainable may depend upon our own attitude in the matter.

The suggestion of a state normal school opens a subject of interest. A state normal school in Pendleton would be a success. It would draw a large attendance which would grow each year and within a short period the institution would be drawing 500 or 1000 outside people to the city every year. Being a state institution it would cost us nothing. Aside from the foregoing there are other lines of opportunity open to Pendleton. We derive permanent gains from the gravity water system, from the state hospital, from the public library and our splendid high school.

But to get the best results from these things and from other lines of endeavor open to the city it is essential that the progressive, forward looking element be in control. It is necessary that we have a city administration actuated by sincerity of purpose and eager for

the welfare and progress of the town. It is no time for demagoguery and screech owl politics. It is no time for razzle-dazzlers who think they can make bootleggers and temperance people walk arm and arm to the polls and vote in common.

It is no accident that responsible business men are a unit in supporting John Montgomery for mayor of Pendleton. It is no accident that thoughtful and informed people of the city are overwhelmingly for his candidacy. They know what they are doing and their lead will be followed by all who stand for Pendleton and Pendleton's progress.

PEACE WOULD AID PROSPERITY

THOUGH times are good now the advent of peace in Europe would bring about increased prosperity in this country. Some reasons why this is true are pointed out by Henry Clews in his financial review this week.

A prolonged war will have both its gains and its losses for the United States. Should the war come to an earlier end than expected, especially in view of rumored peace movements, the results would be vastly better for us than its continuance. We might lose some profitable war contracts, but on the other hand we should gain infinitely more by the stoppage of waste and the restoration of normal activities before the much-dreaded international exhaustion sets in; not to speak of a higher motive for peace, which is to stop the awful carnage that is drenching Europe in blood. With the coming of peace a new set of problems will have to be met. Our financial demobilization would be in order, and many industries which have suffered by the struggle would be permitted to return to their normal relations, a vastly more encouraging outlook than the inflationary profits from war orders, which thoroughly demoralize capital and labor alike.

For one thing peace would aid business by abolishing some forms of hold-up now practiced. To bring the problem home to eastern Oregon it may be said that if peace should come ship owners would have to lower their charter rates materially. Those charges cause the northwest grower to obtain more for his wheat than he now may get in time of war.

THE SHOPPING PROBLEM

IN direct contradiction to the views of many economic experts who believe that every housewife should go to market with her basket on her arm is the statement of a housekeeper in the December issue of the Woman's Home Companion. In praising the much abused method of ordering by telephone she wants to know how housework can ever be developed into an efficient run business if women disregard labor saving devices.

"I have tried marketing in person," she says, "and personally find the economy all wrong. I found the average saving not more than ten cents on a day's purchase, or merely car fare; while the expenditure of my time and strength was a huge loss. I am a busy woman with three little children under school age. If it were not

for the telephone I should be obliged to have a nurse, which would increase my living expenses too much and the children would lose thereby, as my companionship and care are far more valuable to them—also some of my strength would be used up, every bit of which I have to hoard to get through what I have to do and do it properly.

"To benefit from marketing one must go in the morning before things are too much picked over, and I have heard many housekeepers remark that a morning trip to town meant a morning lost for other work."

Certainly the question of marketing is a many sided affair. Old adages about personal shopping have lost much of their force. Vast numbers of people now rely on newspapers for information as to sales and upon the telephone for ordering supplies.

THIS MAY ENTERTAIN

A CHILD'S DISEASE.

Bert Willis is a very nervous, fidgety young man. While traveling on a train one day he chanced to be seated next to a young woman who had a baby. The infant's cry was coaxed with a thig vell, and every now and then it would utter a sharp cry which the woman endeavored to suppress. Young Willis watched the proceedings with considerable anxiety for some time, and finally, leaning over toward the woman, asked: "Has—that baby any—any—thing contagious, madame?"

The woman turned and looked at him with an expression in which scorn and pity were blended. "Well, wouldn't be for most folks but maybe it'd be for you," she replied sharply; "he's teething!"—Harper's Monthly.

HE DIDN'T HAVE THE NERVE.

A well known actor, who has made his name as a comedian, has always been anxious to play the part of Hamlet. So finally he collected a company and went on tour.

At the end of two weeks he was back in New York, looking very dejected.

"Hello, old chap!" said a friend who met him. "What's wrong? You look awfully put out. Didn't they like your Hamlet?"

"They didn't seem to," replied the comedian, shortly.

"Fence that!" commented the other with a grin. "Didn't they give you any encouragement—call you before the curtain and that sort of thing?"

"Call me before the curtain!" said the actor furiously. "Man, they dared me to come!"

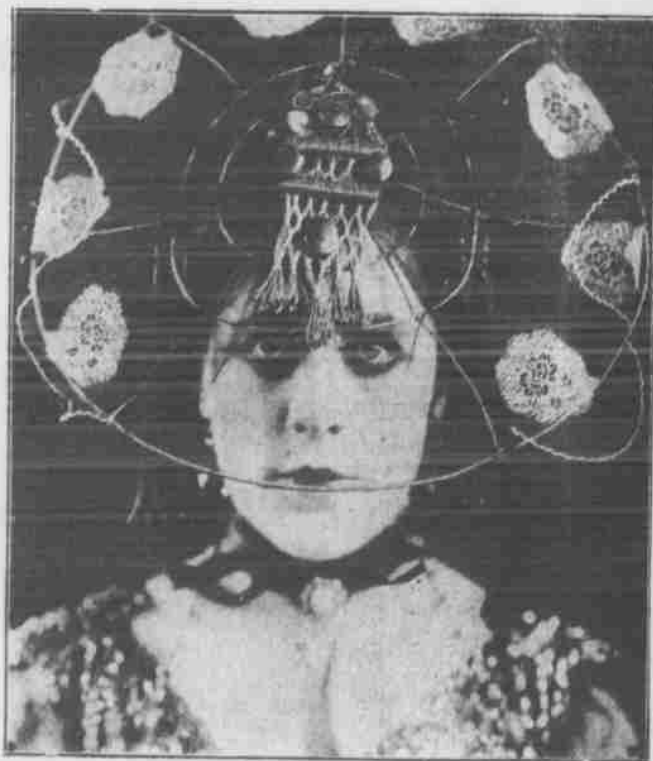
SAID SILAS MCGUGGIN.

Said Silas McGuggin in Peewee's store. "They tell me that mighty few city folks score. I don't understand it. It's sure got me downed." He then took a cracker while Peewee frowned. "You see, when Silas, 'I don't want to fuss, but why should they blame all the smart ones?' The farms has their smartness—that can't be denied." He then took an apple while Peewee stared.

"But listen," said Silas, "don't city folks sleep? Ah! ain't none got voices? By gum, it's too deep. Perhaps they mean snoring, distorting whole blocks." He then took a handful of raisins and Peewee's mouth.

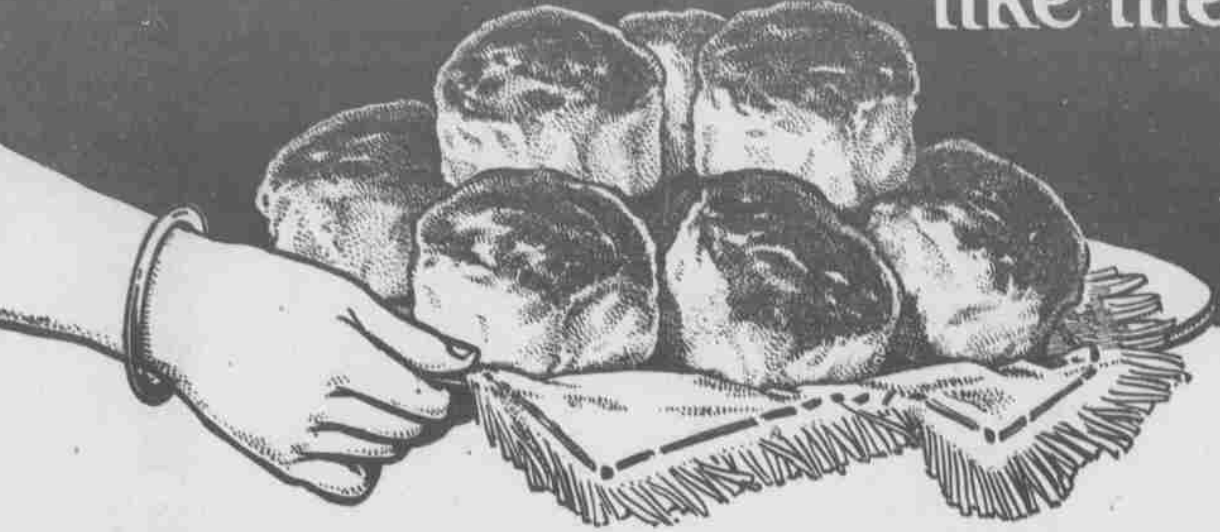
"Hold on, Sil!" he said. "Wait! I'll give you a napkin, a knife and a plate, an' as yer decorous the Peewee's store, we'll figure out why city people don't score. 'Well, well!' replied Silas. 'So that's how you feel? Excuse me, but I can go home for a meal.' He kicked at the dog and he got out of there, the question of snoring being left in the air.

The panel power was established in 492 A. D. by Gelasius, bishop of Rome, the will of the monarch being made subordinate to that of the pope.



Valeska Gert in William Fox's photo-play, "The Song of Broadway," at the Vaudeville Theatre, New York.

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